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Green scene in El Cerrito

™ COMMUNITY turned out in force for the annual Earth Day Accommunity turned out in force for the annual Earn Day bewance last Saturday. Top, volunteers remove ivy from the side wis of the EI Cerrito Branch Library for future planting of a native at garden. Above, former city manager Gary Pokorny was mong the volunteers tending the garden at City Hall. Right, Paul Mand and Noah Booker ready the ground along the Ohlone elemay before planting native shrubs.



Developer to appeal decision

majority rejected use permit, negative declaration

By Chris Treadway

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STAFF WRITER

EL CERRITO - The residential/commercial project proposed for four parcels in the center of town received a blow from the Planning Commission last Wednesday, but it is far from down for the count.

The developer's bid for commission approval of a negative declaration for the project, rather than a more expensive and time-consuming environmental impact report, was voted down 4-3 (Commissioners Sandia, Potter, Letitia Moore and Jennifer Lowe in favor, Anne Delehunt, Matthew Gaber, David Kippen and Bea O'Keefe opposed). The commission, by a 4-2 vote (along the same lines with Lowe abstaining), also rejected qualifying the project for a development incentives program that would allow it to exceed zoned height and density limits.

"We will appeal to the City Council," John Baer of JMS Development Partners said last Friday. "I'm looking at our application here and our \$200 check" (the cost of filing an appeal).

The project planned for the properties formerly occupied by El Cerrito Mill & Lumber would have 162 residential units and 7,000 square feet of commercial space on four parcels comprising 4.147 acres along Schmidt Lane extending east from San

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Solano Ave. figure Miriam Gershenson dies at 74

By Clare Curley

STAFF WRITER

Many people in both Albany
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PARCELS BORDERING the Ohlone Greenway are being used as

Proposal had some areas to resolve

Group rallying financial support for AUSD programs

By Clare Curley

Albany — Albany School

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step will be to gain attention with fliers, members going door-to-door and a big educational event for the public.

"If feel the hot breath of time on my back," said Amy Tick, who helped form the group last winter. "We want to let people know as soon as possible what's going to be there in September."

Tick, an Albany mother and professional arbitrator, decided to start the group when program cuts became imminent. Since then, the endeavor has become her new full-time job.

What started as a small meeting among acquaintances soon became a 40-person organization, with 20 elected chairs and representatives from most school sites. They have been meeting several and an additional and concluded that Albany community Center last Sunday.

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Tick, an Albany mother and professional arbitrator, decided to start the group when program plan, and in the short run, mitigate against cuts that have already been announced. The idea is simple — to be able to say publicly that they will help fill whatever programming gap exists at the end of the school year.

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"It became overwhelmingly from its residents.

"It became overwhelmingly apparent that Albany needs to do this and that we should have done this before," She said. "Surrounding communities have been supplying hundreds of thousands of dollars for their districts."

Meanwhile, their research of other foundations told them that pooling resources may be the key in gredient that's missing in Albany.

Though created in the context of recent cuts, School Care is not the first group of its kind in town. The effort to create fund-raising organizations for schools in Albany began in the late 1980s, regardled that Albany heeds to do this and that we should have done this before," The became

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Developer to outline plan for Del Norte area

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eveloper Charles Oewel, president of CFC Corporation of San Rafael, will be guest speaker at the El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce monthly business luncheon on Tuesday, May 22.

Oewel will be on hand to explain his plan to construct 264 units of housing and 100,000 square feet of commercial and office space, pedestrian-friendly walkways, and landscaped open areas in the area adjacent to the Del Norte BART station.

The project, as envisioned by the developer, would create a neighborhood that integrates residential, retail and office uses with the regional transit system.

Oewel's talk will highlight the noon meeting at the Mira Vista Golf and Country Club. Reservations for this session, which is open to all Chamber members and guests, are required. They may be made by telephoning 233-7040 before Friday, May 18.

New member

El Cerritans who would like the convenience of being able to shop and do their laundry at the same time will find it worth their while to call on Plaza Coin Laundry, the Chamber's newest

member.
Steve Zhou, who has owned the business at 295 El Cerrito Plaza (at the front of the Albertson Market building) for 8-1/2 years, reports his establishment is a popular meeting along for

cliziens from both El Cerrito and Albany. They find it handy that the laundry is open from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. 365 days a year and of-fers a choice of 27 different size washers and 27 dryers. Also appealing is the estab-lishment's low prices. Regular top load washers cost \$1.50, 35-pound washers \$3, and 50 pound washers \$4. Dryers are available for a low 25 cents per eight-minute drying cycle. Broken-down equipment is practically non existent at the Plaza Coin-Op, since owner/op-



NEW EL CERRITO City Manager Scott Hanin speaks at the Chamber's monthly business meeting last week.

knowledge to good use by per-sonally fixing any machines that fail to operate at peak efficiency.

underground parking.

Plans for the commercial portion of the development along San Pablo call for retention of two structures — the two-story building formerly used by the nursery, with commercial space at ground level and two one-bedroom apartments on the second floor, and a one-story building on the south side of the lot that presently houses a computer business and a cleaners. Plans for the commercial portion of the development call for a two-story Victorian style building from the El Cerrito Mill and Lumber site to be moved onto the nursery property and placed immediately north of the existing one-story structure. The relocated building would have 2,800 square feet of retail space on the ground floor and 2,500 square feet of office space on the second floor.

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POLICE REPORTS

Four arrested in supermarket holdup

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EL CERRITO — Four Richmond residents were arrested for store, or the 10600 block of San Pablo. Around 10 p.m., officers responded to a report that a fight had broken out at the store and in custody for allegedly stealing merchandise. An apparent getway car fled the scene when the police arrived, but it was stopped by another officer on the 10600 block of San Pablo.

According to a police report, the three occupants — two women, 24 and 27, and a 27-year-old man —were determined to be involved in the theft and were also arrested.

The El Cerrito Target store thwarted alleged thefts twice last Saturday.

At 6 p.m., a 52-year-old woman was arrested for allegedly shopping in \$100 block of San Pablo.

The Suspect had been detained

tital camera that same afternoon.

Acovar-old man was arrested for at the wells Fargo Bank on the 9800 block of San Pablo.

A house alarm may have saved residents from a burglary to weeks ago. According to a report, a young man smashed the rear window of a house on the arrivindow of a house on the ear window of a house on

Thief swipes two trays of jewelry

By K. Osborn

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nis stairs. There were no wirnesses.

At about 11:30 p.m. on April 27, officers contacted a subject on Jackson Street who appeared to be intoxicated. The 42-year-old transient man was indeed intoxicated and unable to care for himself. He was arrested, cited and released when sober.

On the evening of April 28, a business on the 800 block of San Pablo Avenue reported that a thief had just stolen two trays of jewelry from the store. The thief was described as a white male adult, about 6 feet tall,

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Disabled benefit from the theraputic properties of music

therapy to those who couldn't otherwise afford it

By Lisa Scherman

in a small classroom, on the first floor of Berkeley's Adult School, Max Arguelles taps away on his keyboard, playing one of his favorite Christmas carols. His with belief stranged onto his on his keyboard, playing one of his lavorite Christmas carols. His head, and his wheelchair snugly set in between his mother, and music teacher, Max's music goal seems simple: he wants to start incorporating his left hand into his keyboarding. Max suffered a brain injury as a young child, and now as an adult, music therapy offers an outlet that fuels his love for music, and provides a source of joy in his day.

Titia Martin, Max's mom, Marlia Arguelles, encourage, play and sing along with Max. Ms. Martin, a native of Holland, joined Maya's Music Therapy Rund in 1989. "For these disabled persons, their lives are colored by what I do is focus on what they cannot do," she says. "What I do is focus on what they can do. MMTF offers some-

thing that may not have been available to them. It makes the participants feel good about themselves, and it ultimately makes them feel successful."

Maya's Music Therapy Fund has provided access to music therapy for people with cerebral palsy, autism, Down's syndrome, brain injury, and other learning disabilities. Music therapy involves playing musical instruments and/or singing. Its backers say the therapy greatly improves muscle control, self-esteem, and communication skills. Maya Cooper was a severely disabled, non-verbal child who used music to communicate most fully in the world around her. After her death in 1988, the fund was established so that other disabled people, particularly those who could not otherwise afford it, could experience the life-enriching benefits of music therapy.

Ms. Martin works with the participants on a regular basis at either at the Berkeley Adult School or at a site in Richmond. Three times a week she works with Max Arguelles and Mark Titecki each for a half hour of music therapy sessions, plus a weekly group therapy class at the Disabled Persons Recreation



MUSIC THERAPIST Titia Martin-Nagle works with Mark Niteck

complishments and creative self-expression. This is one day for ognized for all that they can do, these people, who are too often judged for what they can't do, to Maya's Music Therapy Fund con-

TV news veteran to speak at May 16 annual meeting of Friends of the El Cerrito Library

The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, in the El Cerrito Library, 6510

Stockton Ave.
All members and the public are invited to attend.

Chamber

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In her talk, Buell will give a behind-the-scenes look at how the program comes together. She has been the NewsHour production coordinator for the San Francisco office since 1997. Buell was already a seasoned broadcast journalist before joining the NewsHour.

She worked in the nation's capital for NBC Network News for 10 years as supervisor of the network editors, a studio techni-

cian and as a camera and sound person on a mini-cam team newsgathering in the streets of DC, and around the country.

Prior to her work at NBC, Buell worked on a mini-cam team for Independent Network News and for the then start-up 24-hour news experiment, CNN.

She and her partner put the first live remote on the air for CNN in 1979.

Following a parade that starts at 11 a.m. in Richmond and runs along San Pablo, there will be a festival from noon to 5 p.m. at the El Cerrito Community Center.

Community Center.

CC&C is the participation of local businesses interested in joining the parade or hosting a booth at the Festival. Sign-up forms may be obtained by writing Celebrating Culture and Community, 1900 International Marketplace, San Pablo, CA 94806, or PC. Box 1276, El Cerrito, CA 94530, or by calling 510-236-3255.

JOURNAL BRIEFS

Residential building workshop scheduled

With Dignity' bill

With Dignity' bill

EL CERRITO — The public is invited to attend a presentation on June 26 sponsored by the El Cerrito Democratic Club concerning the proposed Death With Dignity Act bill pending in the California General Assembly. It will take place at 8 p.m., following the 7:30 p.m. general business meeting of the club, at the Northminster Presbyterian Church on 545 Ashbury Ave. The guest speakers will be Carole van Aelstyn, a hospice nurse and

President of Compassion in Dying of Northern California, and Rod McKenzie, the chairman of the Berkeley-Albany-Kensington ACLU subcommittee on Death With Dignity. Details: Joe Franaszek, 510-524-4659.

Summer day camp now enrolling kids

enrolling kids

KENSINGTON — The Kensitoton Community Gouncil still has room in its Summer Day Camp for children 6 to 12. The camp, at 59 Arlington Ave., will run from June 18 through Aug. 24.

Activities include field trips, sports, drama, gymnastics, pottery and tennis. The camp's hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Campers may enroll on a weekly basis or for the entire summer. The cost is \$165 per week, which includes transportation, snacks and special activities. Call 510-525-0292.

Bob Blum joins area

FROM PAGE A2 felt there was a need to design the project so that the residential and commercial portions are more coherently integrated. A few Commission members expressed concern over the developer's plans to cut down a number of large trees on the site, including a 36-foot Coast Live Oak tree which they felt

was particularly valuable.

Participation welcomed

The events are being organized by Celebrating Culture and Community, an associated Chamber member.

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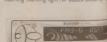
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Opinion

FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

Leadership needed on lumber mill proposal

By Larry Damon

MAYOR OF EL CERRITO

Like everyone, I am in favor of a mixed-use development at the El Cerrito Mill & Lumber site. At least, everyone should be in favor of it. For if they are not, then they are saying that an unused lumber mill now doubling as an auto storage facility is an acceptable use of some of the most valuable real estate in town. Of course, that is nonsense. Yet, the El Cerrito Planning Commission rejected the developer's land use application. So, why were some people happy with such a decision?

The problem arises in the definition of "mixed use" which is a lot like beauty. While everyone accepts that it is a mix of housing and commercial, not everyone agrees on the proper ratio of that mix. As presently constituted, the proposed development is primarily a housing project with only a token level of commercial use which makes the "mix" unacceptable.

Housing is necessary because it provides the financing that makes everything else work. No housing, no project. So, it has its purpose. The demand is certainly there and it combats surban

sprawl. Also, if there is housing, a certain portion of it should be set aside as affordable. However, because El Cerrito has exceeded its affordable housing goals, which are assessed on a citywide basis, the developer is not "legally" bound to provide it in this instance. But, what about ethically? Should the present developer get a bye because earlier developements paid the price? Consensus seems to be "No". Sensing a problem here, the developer committed to provide a certain level of affordable housing at the moderate- and low-income levels, but drew the line at the very-low-income level. So a legitimate question is presented as to whether the developer's level of commitment is sufficient to meet the ethical obligation. Tough question. The pro-housing and pro-affordable advocates have a tough decision to make.

An equally tough question is whether the level of commercial use is sufficient. Many, including our Economic Development Board, want a more substantial commitment. The developer contends that the demand isn't there and that we would have boarded-

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VIEWPOINT

The wrong man for the media soapbox

By Jonathan Wong

Tread with much distaste Bill
Mann's Media Bites. In it, he
took potshots at several Bay
area broadcasters.

He particularly poured vitriol on one Wade Lapointe,
traffic reporter for KRON TV.
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of mine. I remembered him as
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to visiting school children. He
certainly wasn't some pampered media star who needed
to be taught a lesson in humility. So I made a couple of
phone calls and was able to ascertain that Lapointe is not the
Morning Show's new traffic anchor as Mann "reports," but a
fill-in reporter. This so-called
media critic should relearn one
of the basic tenets of responsible journalism: Check your
facts! I'm sure that Hills Newspapers expects this of their
writers.

I know that this post-Jerry
Springer culture often accepts

papers expects this of their writers.

I know that this post-Jerry Springer culture often accepts meanness as a substitute for irony. And yes, we put up with self-appointed critics who confuse constructive criticism with destructive bitching. However, one expects a modicum of wit to accompany diatribes of this sort. Taking KRON traffic anchor Anna Duckworth to task because poor lighting illuminates the bags under her eyes is not insightful criticism. It is cruel, ungentlemanly and simple-minded. Worst of all, it is terribly unfunny.

Mann also criticizes Lapointe for not projecting warmth and having a face-forradio. (Note to Mann: Even Joan Rivers doesn't use that tired old joke anymore, not even on QVC.) He makes the

assumption that commuters want their traffic reports to be delivered by friendly, pretty, eye-bagless people. Here's a news flash, Mann, what we want of our traffic reporters is accurate traffic updates, not vacuous genial handsomely-lit talking heads faking emotion for the camera. Come to think of it, isn't that what TV critics are always complaining about? In his thoughtless hack job, Mann publicly takes personal swipes at local broadcasters, as if their being on TV means that they couldn't possibly have feelings, that they aren't human beings.

What's his excuse.

Ironically, if Mann had ever attempted to view KRON's morning show with any discernment whatsoever, he would notice the news anchors cracking up whenever Lapointe tosses the story to them with one of his typically humorous and bizarre bon mots. The fact that he does this with a straight face and dry wit only makes it funnier. But dry wit is clearly something with which Mann is unfamiliar. And so, apparently, are responsible journalistic standards. He evinces none in his writing. Actually, writing isn't the appropriate word.

Mann's clucking and crowing are more like those of an aging rooster who knows he is no longer viable except as a candidate for the stock pot.

What is irritating, and what makes me even bother to write this letter, is that somebody gave this Mann a soapbox. At some point, the editors of the Hills Newspapers will surely take notice. Take heart, though, Mann. If the Pittsburg Pennysaver isn't looking for writers of your caliber, I hear there are some nursing homes that have newsletters.

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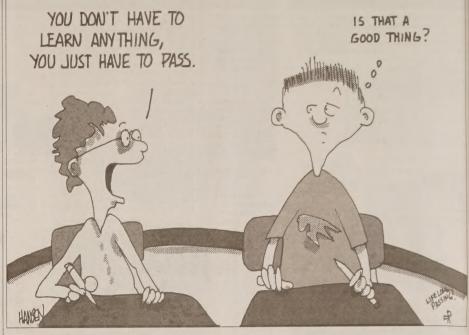
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

District forcing a strike?

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The Albany Unified School District showed up empty-handed once again to the April 25 bargaining session. The previous week, both parties agreed to look at a three-year plan that would move Albany teacher salaries into the average of Alameda and Contra Costa districts. The Albany Teachers' Association was at the table at 9 a.m. April 25, prepared to negotiate after agreeing to exchange proposals at the previous week's session. The district team had no proposal ready to present, nor were they willing to discuss our proposal.

They have not offered any new ideas since November 2000, when they reneged on the previous tentative agreement. The district has claimed in public several times that it wishes to settle, but last week they could not even show us the courtesy of beginning the session at the agreed upon hour, doing their homework for this session, or exchanging documents with us prior to it, as previously agreed upon.

ATA interprets the district's continual lack of preparation and its inability to exchange ideas or follow through with agreements as further example of its unwillingness to successfully resolve this crisis. Albany teachers have been very patient, especially considering that the district has been bargaining in bad faith since September, according to find-

ings from PERB (California's Public Employee Relations Board) in a decision made last week.

Though the tentative agreement of last spring was rejected by ATA on the first day of school, the district implemented one part of that agreement—allowing flexible scheduling at the Middle School. This required teachers to work longer days without compensation.

Last week, PERB charged the district with violating the rights of ATA to represent its bargaining unit members, interfering with the rights of bargaining unit members, and refusing to bargaining unit members, and refusing to bargaining ood faith. On top of the district mismanagement of funds, the "lack of position control" (over hirring) throughout the district and this unnecessarily protracted mediation process is its utter disregard for our contract, past practice, and good faith bargaining that demoralizes teachers and incites us to mobilize for a strike. The district leaves us with little choice.

Fact-finding is a process of discovery that attempts to investigate and clarify the facts. Through this 6-8 week process, the ATA looks forward to arguing our case for a fair settlement. Legally, fact-finding will allow us to strike, if need be; however, we have agreed to continue meeting concomitantly with the district negotiating team through fact-finding.

The only way to avoid a strike in Albany is by providing teachers an equi-

Design detracts from surroundings

Surroundings

One of El Cerrito's greatest natural features are the beautiful hills. The size and design of the massive structures being built at the Plaza are of grave concern to us as they cut off the beauty of the El Cerrito hills as we travel down San Pablo Avenue. We are disappointed the new structures are not lower in height so the hills can be seen.

Since some of the anchor stores are now in question, isn't there time to reconsider or even redesign the new batch of concrete multistoried retail stores? The drawings of the new Plaza displayed at various places were very encouraging in their design but we believe that the Plaza's surrounding environment and buildings were not taken into consideration as well as safety issues for, now, the unseen pedestrians on the BART path.

Joann Steck-Bayat and Hossain

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Affordable housing: Yes or no

By Brad Caftel

Light Cerrito is currently considering mixed use housing and commercial developments, including the Mill and Lumber, Del Norte BART Station, and Albert's Nursery sites. Whether these developments include affordable housing is a timely issue for public discussion.

The shortage of affordable nousing is a timely issue for public discussion.

The shortage of affordable housing affects all of us. Our firefighters, police officers, nurses, teachers, seniors, the workers in retail stores, and many young adults who went to school and grew up here, cannot afford to live in or near the community. Our roads are congested with people forced to live far from their employment. Our businesses would benefit from more customers to purchase basic goods and services. Miles from here, open space and farmland are being developed for housing, with harmful consequences to the

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EL CERRITO KENSINGTON

Staging a prom night to remember at Children's Hospital

Milliams.
They're some of the members of the Berkeley Breeze, the high school marathoners who just got back from Italy, where they ran in the Rome Marathon. (They're running to raise money to build a recreation room at Children's Hospital in Oakland, in honor of heir late friend, Gabe Catalfo, a gired young athlete who died no years ago from leukemia.)



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That's how they met Anthony. He's been in and out of Children's Hospital for years, battling a serious skin disease. In fact, he's there right now, which means missing his senior prom.

So since he can't go to the prom, his mother decided to bring the prom to him. And she pulled out all the stops: a DJ spinning records, a professional photographer taking

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wonderful time. Antmony is a great date!"

The-Show-Must-Go-On-Dept.: Moments before The Lamplighters' matinee of "A Little Night Music" last Sunday, leading man Rick Williams, who played Frederick, came down with a sudden case of laryngitis.

Solution: He lip-synched through his songs, with Geoffrey Coulton supplying the real voice from the orchestra pit. Williams, by the way, is no stranger to on-stage adversity. A few years ago, as he was warbling "A Wand'ring Minstrel, I" during the opening

& Cat Hospital, the sign in the waiting room reads, "Sit, stay. The doctor will be with you in a moment."

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Mayor

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well forever be a commercial
backwater. Without the project,
however, the commercial element
of the "mix" disappears. So, the
pro-ommercial advocates have
a tough decision to make as well.
To get the votes necessary for
approval, the developer has to
address at least one, preferably
both, of these issues. My preferred approach was to have
commercial along San Pablo Aveue with either professional offisor of live-work lofts above, reasmalle density housing on the
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By Linda Takimoto

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 May 7, Open House, 7 p.m.

 May 8, Athletic Boosters Meeting, 7 p.m., AHS Library

 May 14, Band Boosters meeting, 7 p.m., AHS band room

 May 15, Athletic Boosters meeting, 7 p.m.

Albany Middle School

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■ May 19, Silly Olympics, 10 a.m.-2

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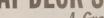
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the project outright, adding that she was surprised at the outcome of the vote at the end of the 5-1/2-hour meeting.

"I think the thing that surprised me the most was the disconnect between the public and what they had to say and the way the commission voted," she said. "We heard a lot of favorable testimony for the project.

"I'm disappointed," Potter said. "It hought this was a good project for the city. This sends a negative signal to the development community about what it's

to build anything."

For his part, Baer said he was surprised at the rejection. "At no point did people not in support of the project say, after a year of working on this... did they look at me and say 'OK, here are my specific concerns and here's what you need to do to address them."

It's not inconceivable to go through two or three sessions with a planning commission. What was surprising was that

"We're committed to working with the City Council on a pro-ject that will be to the benefit of the entire community. We will work as hard as we have to with the council.

— Chris Treadway

Proposal

Gershenson

be left as it is, causing plans to be redrawn and submitted twice. "Why don't you all get in a room and fight this one out without Baer said his group is "pre-pared to talk through those things. We're down to the last four in a hundred points.

king with American Field ice (AFS), an international ent exchange program. She me the president of the or-ration's Albany chapter, a po-n she held for the next 20

together to bring foreign is into the community, of Gershenson's success organization was her for handling sticky situation such as a living situation asn't working out, her latest passion was voling for the Albany Education, which she found five years ago.

was scheduled to attend an AEF meeting. Like others, foundation President Dianne McNenny said she will miss Gershenson's vibrant presence in Albany.

"Her mission was peace through friendship," said McNenny, who also got to know Gershenson through her own involvement in AFS. She attributed her colleague's generosity to her "liberal, New York socialist background."

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According to friends, she was also known for possessing nurturing tendencies that were extended to anyone within earshot who had a complaint.

"She was the best Jewish mother in the world," said Breault. "If you ever said you were sick, she'd come over with a pot of chicken soup."

Gershenson's daughter said that, "My mother would even bring food to her doctor's office."

"In the end, she was still kicking and doing everything she could," said Van Vilet. "That was the only way she would have wanted it."

The public is invited to a memorial service at 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 2, at Northbrae Community Church, located at 941 The Alameda in Berkeley. Her family is requesting that donations be made to the Albany Education Foundation, at 1320 Solano Ave., Suite 200, Albany, CA 94706.

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improvements

for the Teen Center.
Street improvements can include design and construction, including curb cuts, sidewalk ramps, sewer replacement and street infrastructure along

Public hearing on vacating right-of-way

vacating right-of-way

A public hearing has been scheduled during next week's regular City Council meeting on Monday, May 7, for residents to discuss whether the city should vacate the Maintenance Center access road along Eastshore Highway.

The council has already declared its intention to vacate the portion of the road in order for the Martin Group building development project to go forward. The right-of-way area includes 3,483 square feet of land at the intersection of the existing Maintenance Center access road and the frontage road.

ranks to sergeant

Permit denied for benefit concerts

By Kate Darby Rauch

ALBANY IN BRIEF

City allocates funds for

As part of the five-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP), the City Council has approved putting \$30,000 in funds towards Solano Avenue improvement, and \$62,940 to pay back a loan for the Teen Center.

Solano.

In addition, home owners will be able to apply to the county for help on minor home repairs. Included in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds are \$32,804 for home repair projects, as well as \$6,600 in reimbursement money to the city.

The funds, totaling \$137,600, will be available as of July 1.

City Attorney Robert Zweben

Officer moves up the

Bricks and fists fly at local bakeries

By Clare Curley

Two local bakeries suffered building damage in incidents this week — in the most recent incident, caused by out-of-control pa-

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with the creation of I Care, a onetime-only fund-raiser also aimed
at preventing program reductions. That group was followed
by several other ventures, including two parcel taxes.
But what mainly separates
School Care from others is its
proposal to coordinate finances
of other entities.
"We're acting as brokers," explained Tick.
Instead of simply raising
money, members are proposing
to coordinate the use of existing
money from such sources as
PTAs, Site Councils and Academic Performance Index funds.
Since one-time monies like minigrants aren't dependable, they
are focusing on regular sources
of funding.

So far the members have
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DESIGNED BY ALLEN R. JOHANNES, 51 Crest Rd. in Piedmont is a classic Ra house, one story with a long roofline, level entry and wide eaves.

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Every house has a history even if it was built in 1954, and the history of 51 Crest Rd. is closely tied to its sole owners and to the times.

World War II was over, men and women who had served their country returned home to marry,

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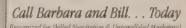
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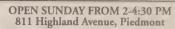




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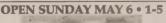
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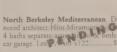












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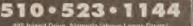
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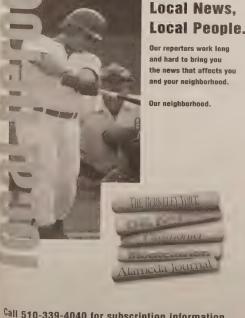
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SPORTS

Sports Standings are on page [C2]

Arts 'Big Love' is one wild ride worth taking [C3]



ERKELEY'S NATE SIMMONS teamed up with Patrick Hamilton to defeat teammates Gabe Zeldin and George Thomas and win the ACCAL doubles title at Alameda High School on May 1. The duo will head to the North Coast Section Championships this weekend.

Hamilton, Simmons win all-'Jacket final

Duo out-duels teammates Zeldin, Thomas to advance to North Coast

By Pete Elman

Pilot Rizzuto stops St. Mary's on 2 hits

Cougars come up a run short

Wild game ends with Piedmont exacting revenge for tough loss last year

By Scott Strain

By Scott Strain
STAFF WRITER
PIEDMONT — The Albany
baseball team had to play catch
up for most of its game against
Piedmont on Tuesday afternoon
and it finally caught up with the
Cougars.
Albany came back from
deficits of 30, 5-4 and 75 before ultimately
losing 8-7 to
the Highlanders
Albany 7
when Peter
Schneider's
fourth hit of the game, a one-out
single to right, scored Mac Conn
with the winning run.
Albany did have one lead in



ALBANY'S CHRIS WEAKLEY threw to first after forcing Piedmont runner Josh Boltuch at seculars. Playing at Witter Field in Piedmont on May 1, Piedmont rallied to defeat the Cougars 8-7



STEVE MASLANK/ Ming a relay at the OAL Malional three weeks ear

Top-8: Horowitz and the St. Mary's Panthers

Howowitz takes 1,600; Warren, Dunbar, Duffy, Guy, Muhammad Shaw claim titles

PREP GIRLS

See TOP 8, Page C2

Baseball

and Gross scored for a 4-3 advantage.

The lead held for two innings before Tovani whacked another two-run homer, this time to dead left, in the fifth for a 5-4 Piedmont edge.

Albany tied it in the sixth off a tiring Webster when Collister led off with a double, went to third on a ground out and came home when Chris Colvin singled to center.

SP/SV 4, Albany 2

VALLEJO — St. Patrick used a two-out rally in the bottom of the sixth inning to hand Albany a 4-2 Bay Shore Athletic League

Softball

FROM PAGE CI

Berkeley 16, DeAnza 0

BERKELEY - Berkeley pitch-

ers Joe Warner and Caitlin Drulis combined to throw a five-inning no-hitter to beat De Anza 16-0 in ACCAL action.

Encinal 7, De Anza 2 Berkeley 7, Richmond 1

STANDINGS

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Pinole Valley	1.5	2	11/2
Encinal	5	3	2
El Cerrito	4	3	21/2
Alameda	4	4	3
De Anza	2	6	5

Bay Shore Athletic League

		W	L	GB		
	Piedmont	7	1	_		
	St. Mary's	7	2	1/2		
	Salesian	7	2	1/2		
	John Swett	6	2	11/2		
	St. Patrick	6	4	2		
	Albany	4	6	4		
	St. Joseph	4	6	4		
	Kennedy	1	8	61/2		
	St. Elizabeth	Ò	9	71/2		
Wednesday's results						
St. Patrick 4, Albany 2						
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ACCAL			
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Alameda	7	1	-
Pinole Valley	6	1	1/2
Berkeley	6	2	1
Encinal	5	3	2
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Top 8

Nunes (Vacaville) 48.00 400 relay: James Logad 47.01, Deer Valley 48.80, Holy mes 49.04, Mr. Pleasant-San Jose 49.07, Bishop 0'-wd 49.68, Merrill West-Tracy 50.50 1, 500 relay: St. May's 3:55.95, Merrill West-Tracy 0.40, Berkeley 4:00.41, Pledmont 4'04.18, Meramonte

ACCAL

11 Tuesday's results Kennedy d. Pledmont 16-14, 15-11, 13-15, 18-16 St. Joseph d. St. Mary's 15-1, 16-14, 15-8



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Arts



Let's not blame ourselves for energy crisis

See MANN, Page C5

This 'Mummy' isn't dearest

See MUMMY, Page C5



BRENDAN FRASER RETURNS as explorer Rick O'Connell in the specia

'Big Love' is one wild ride worth taking

By Pat Craig
STAFF WATTER

It turns out the Temple of
Thespis is an excellent place for
tomato tossing, sawblade slinging, and the classic battle of the
sexes being waged, quite physically, on a bouncy wrestling mat.
That, anyway, is what happens when playwright Charles
Mee goes 12 rounds with the
Greek classics, then turns things
over to director Les Waters, who
has staged this rollicking version
of "Big Love" that even a concrete-thick didactic screed at the
conclusion can't diminish.
Based quite loosely on the story
of "The Suppliant Women" by
Aeschylus, the play tells the tale
of 50 sisters, dressed as brides,
who find themselves stuck in a
contract to marry 50 brothers, who
are also their cousins. But instead
of going through with the traditional rice-tossing and "here comes
the bride," the women escape to a
villa on the Italian coast in search
of sanctuary.
But they are followed there by

wills. While that may sound like classic Greek stuff (or perhaps a musical based on ABBA tunes),

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CAROLYN BAEUMLER in the tub is just the beginning of the crazy twists and turns Charles Mee takes you on in "Big Love."

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Tweaking the formula for flavor



Here are some of the changes director John Dahlen made — and why — when he met with the cast after the April 6 open-

Girl Scouts to host global dance festival

Celebrate Mother's Day at annual wildflower show

Mother's Day programs

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FRIDAY MOVIE LISTINGS

Alameda County

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Showtimes for Friday, May 4

Albany Twin
1115 Soland Avenue Albany 843-FiLM
• The Dish (PG-13) 6 45, 9:15
• The Luzhin Defence (PG-13) 6 30, 9:00

California Theatres
2113 Kittredge Street, Berkatey 843-FILM
• Chocolat (PG-13) 1:40, 4:10, 6:45, 9:15
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Freddy Got Fingered (R) 1:00, 3:00, 5:15, 7:45

9 55 • Jos Dirt (PG-13) 12:10, 2:25, 4 55, 7:20, 9:35,

► Kingdom Come (PG) 12:50, 3:05, 5:10, 7:35,

9 50 • The Mummy Returns (PG-13) 11 40 a.m., 12:15, 12:55, 1.30, 2:00, 2 40, 3:15, 3:55, 4 30, 5:05, 5:40 6:15, 7:00, 7:30, 8:05, 8:40, 9:15, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 11:35, midnight • One Night at McCool's (R) 12:25, 4:40, 9:40,

11:50 ● Spy Kids (PG) 11:25 a.m., 12:40, 2:00, 3:10, 4:35 5:20, 7:10, 9:30 ● Town and Country (R) 2:30, 7:25.

Chabot Cinema 2853 Castro Valley Blvd. Castro Valley 582-2555 • The Mummy Returns (PG-13) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00.

Chabot Space & Science Center Tien MegaDome

| 10000 Skyline Blvd., Oakland 336-7300 • The Mysterles of Egypt (NR) 11:30 a.m., 8:30 • Solar Max (NR) 3:00, 7:30 • To Be an Astronaut (NR) 10:30 a.m., 1:00

Simon of the Desert (1965) (NR) 7 30
 The Wages of Fear (1963) (NR) 8:30.

Grand Lake Theater
3200 Grand Avenue, Oaldand 452-3556

• Bridget Jones's Diary (R) 12:15, 2:30, 5:00, 7:15,

9:45. ● Spike and Mike's Classic Festival of Animation 2001 (NR) noon, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:15, 10:20. ● Town and Country (R) 2:40, 5:10, 7:20.

• Driven (PG-13) 11:50 a.m., 2:40, 5:20, 8:00,

One Night at McCool's (R) 11:45 a.m..
 Spy Kids (PG) 11:10 a.m., 1:15, 4:15, 7:10, 9:35

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• Amores Perros (P) 12:05, 210, 645, 10:00

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• Brother (R) 12:03, 2-40, 5:03, 7:25, 9-45

• Crecofills Durides in Los Angeles (PG) 12:40, 3:00, 5:10, 7:40, 10:10.

• Dirtven (PG-13) 14:54 zm., 12:20, 2:10, 2:50, 4:40, 5:20, 7:10, 7:50, 9:40, 10:20.

• Less Dirty (PG-13) 4:50, 7:15, 9:20.

• Che Night at McCool's (R) 11:50 a.m., 2:00, 4:30, 7:30, 1:20.

7:30, 10:00 • Spy Kids (PG) noon, 12:30, 2:10, 2:40, 4:45, 7:05, 9:10 NAZ 8

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1875 Solano Avenue, Berkeley 526-1836
Spike and Mike's Classic Festival of Animation
2001 (MR) 6.00, 8.15, 10.20.
Town and Country (R) 7.00, 9.30.

Piedmont Theatre
4188 Piedmont Avenue. Oakland 843-FILM
• Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon (PG-13) 1:15,
4:00. 6:30. 9:00.

The Tallor of Penama (R) 130, 415, 6 45, 9:1

Shattuck Cinemas
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Before Night Falls (R) 120, 6 45,
Best In Show (P-613) 435, 9:40,

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6:50, 9:15. • The Mummy Returns (PG-13) 1:00, 2:30, 4:00, 5:30, 7:00, 8:30, 9:50. • O Brother, Where Art Thou? (PG-13) 1:55, 4:20.

8:55, 9:20. ● The Tallor of Panama (R) 2:10, 4:40, 7:05, 9:35.

UA Berkeley 7
2274 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley 843-1487
• Along Came a Spider (R) 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, Blow (R) 12:50, 3:55, 7:05, 10:05.
 Bridget Jones's Diary (R) 12:05, 2:30, 5:00, 7:25.

9:55
• The Forsaken (R) 12:50, 3:15, 5:45, 8:05, 10:25.
• Freddy Got Fingered (R) 12:45, 4:00.
• One Night at McCool's (R) 12:15, 2:45, 5:15,

• Pavillon of Woman (R) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00-9:45 • Traffic (R) 7:15, 10:20

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• Along Came a Spider (R) 10 45 a.m., 1 30, 4 15, 7 15, 9 45, 12 10 a.m.

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• Kingdom Come (PS) noon, 5.00, 7.30, 10 00

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• Town and Country (R) noon, 220

24800 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward 786-3000 • Along Came a Spider (R) 12-05, 2-30, 5.00, 7.30

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• Town and Country (R) 1:30, 4:20, 7:20, 9:50

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• Chocolat (PG-13), 5:10, 9:25

• Mamento (R), 5:05, 7:30, 9:45

• The Mummy Returns (R), 7:35

• One Night at McCool's (R), 7:35

• Spy Kids (PG), 5:15, 7:15, 9:05

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• Aktra (R) 1:10, 4:00, 7:10, 10:00, 12:45 a m

• Along Came a Spider (R) 2:00, 4:50, 7:35, 10:10

• Blow (R) 1:20, 4:40, 7:50, 10:55

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Enemy at the Gates (R) 1:05, 4:10, 7:20, 10:25
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Bridge 3010 Geary Blvd , San Francisco (415)352-0810 • Amores Perros (R) 1:45, 5:00, 8 15

Castro Theatre
Castro Street & Market Streets, San Francisco (415)6:

6120 • Spike & Mike's Festival of Animation (NR) 7:00.

Clay 2261 Filmore Street, San Francisco (415)352-0810 • With a Friend Like Harry (R) 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9.40.

● The Dish (PG-13) 12:45, 3:30, 6:45, 9:15 ● The Luzhin Defence (PG-13) 12:15, 2:45, 5:10,

• Memento (R) noon, 1:00, 2:30, 4:00, 5:00, 7:00, 3:30, 9:40, 10:00.

Lumiere
1572 California Street, San Francisco (415)352-0810
• Chopper (NR) 12:30, 5:10, 9:45.
7 The Day I Secsime a Woman (NR) 3:00, 7:40.
• Eureka (NR) 2:15, 7:30
• The Price of Milk (PG-13) 12:40, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15,

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Sony Metroon
101 4th Street San Francisco (415)399-6200
• Along Came a Spider (8) 1:10, 4:20, 7:20, 10:25.
• Bliving (1) 2:20, 3:30, 8:40, 9:55.
• Bridget Jones's Diary (R) 11:40 a.m., noon, 2:30,
• Crocodile Dundee in Los Angeles (PG) 10:40

50, 10.40.

Spy Kids (PG) 11:10 a.m., 2:00, 4:30, 7:30, 10:00.

The Tailor of Panama (R) 3:20, 6:30.

Town and Country (R) 11:50 a.m., 2:45, 6:00,

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200 Haunted Castle (NR) 4:00.
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am 1:30, 7:00, 9:45.
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Kingdom Come (PG) 11:15 a.m., 1:45, 7:30, 11:00

Pavilion of Women (R) 11:00 a.m., 1:30, 7:15,

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remise throughout. Fundamental assignate glitches keep words from satching up with lips, some scenes ze out of focus and with two exceptions, all the songs are performed in a taged venue that feels very false. If our think you're really backstage, ou're just deluded. — M. Pols. (NR) 1 tout, Z minutes. D. ALONG CAME A SPIDER": Detective and psychologist Alex Cross (Morgan assertions).

Jorniny Deppi is great as 1970s drug dealer Georg Jung, a poor but ambitious boy from Massachusetts who chose the wrong profession and introduced America to Colombian occaine. Director Ted Demme's film is undeniably flawed, from the atrocious wig and makeup-work right up to Depp's costar, Penelope Cruz, who plays his wife as a dimensionless shrew. But it's got some of that restless energy that made "Boogle Nights" so fun to watch. — M. Pols. (R: pervasive drug content and language, some violence and sexuality) 2 hours, 4 minutes. B+ "BRIGGET JONES"S DIARY". To play the romantically challenged British singleton in this adaptation of Helen Field-ling's hilarious best-selling novel, Renee Zellweger put on the pounds. She's glorously puffy-faced, she chainsmokes, she's foul-mouthed, and yet completely endearing. Her search for love includes daillances with the office socoundrel, Daniel (Hugh Grart, playing the ultimate cad) and Mark Darcy (Colin Firth), who is both haughty and desperately attractive. Lightweight fare, but pure entertainment. — M. Pols. (R: language and some strong sexuality). 1 hour, 35 minutes. A"THE CENTER OF THE WORLD": Not great, but nonetheless an interesting

C+"CROCODILE DUNDEE IN LOS ANGE-LES": Predictable? Yes. Insipid? Yes. Formulaic? Yes. And while all those things apply, this third outing with Paul Hogan as cracodile hunter Mick Dundee, who's misplaced in Los Angles this time out, is refreshing in that it's a family comedy that is never mean-spirited. The plot's paper-thin, as Dundee's love (Linda Kozlowski) assumes a newspaper gig and uncovers shady goings-on at a film studio. To its credit, "Dundee's a genial affair suited for families. — C. Lemire. (PG: language, vio-



TIL SCHWEIGER and Kip Pardue play rivals in "Driven.

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Reviews

FROM PAGE C4

M PAGE & Miller. Truth be told, that's not b. — C. Lemire. (PG-13: crude and lated humor, language.) 1 hour, 32

Japan Into August Prison, sea Dipport Come: A divided Africapan family comes together to
the cumudgeonly patriarch in this
act comedy/drame starring an ene cast All sorts of family dysfuncurfaces, and most of it comes out in
m of shouts and tears. Showing
needed restraint are Vivica A. Fox
hoopi Goldberg. It's manipulative,
me might find it inspirational as
_C. Vognar. (PG. language, sexual
tt, bodily humor.) 1 hour, 35 min-

The LOW DOWN": There are instances of reveletion and deep sentiment along at occasions of prolonged monotory in the tale of pivoling in mootern common. Along allien stars as a man in sales 25c who decides to buy a flat, and falls for his real estate agent in the process. The characters are well-drawn, as the movie utilimately becomes a colage of impressions, good and bad.— D, German. (NR) 1 hour, 36 minutes. C The LUZHIN DEFENCE": A chees wordigy (John Turturro) competes in a well of hampionship at an Italian lakeside sent and falls for a young Russian sometiment of the process of the control of the process of the control of the process of the control of the process of the

minute increments, which has made it buzz central among the spring releases. But even after two viewings, "Memento" comes off more as a clever gag than a piece of widtly innovative filmmaking, "is set up to reward the sharp-eyed viewer. Figure out what's going on and pat yourself on the back for being in the same intellectual stratosphere as the filmmaker. Still, duy Pearce couldn't be better as Leonard, a former insurance claims investigator who's on a mission to find his wife's killer, but is hampered by having no short-term memory. — M. Pols. (R: violence, drug content and some language, it in Jour, 53 minutes. B inone, drug content and some language). I hour, 53 minutes. B "ONE NIGHT AT McCOULS": A mean-spirited and overly violent embarrasment that takes its inspiration from, of all things, the classic film "Rashomon," and tells us a story from three viewpoints. Matt Dilion plays Bandy, a bartender who hooks up with beautiful con artist. Jewel (Liv Tyler). They kill her cellish partner-in-crime and then set up housekeeping. But the home-improvement-obsessed Jewel doesn't want to leave her criminal past behind, which leads to trouble for Randy. Meanwhile, the detective (John Goodman) investigating the partner's death falls for Jewel, as does Randy's cousin (Paul Reiser, giving the lone funny performance). Producer Michael Douglas shows up as the hit man Randy hires.—M. Pols. (R: violence, sexuality and language.) I hour, 33 minutes. C
"SPY KIDS": Robert Rodriguez's action flick for kids has a siy sense of humor, gloriously stantastical sets and, at its core, a goodhearted but never preachy message about the importance of family. Antonio Banderas plays former superspy Gregorio Cortez, who retired from secret agentdom when he met and married fellow spy Ingrid (the perfy Carla Gugino). Eleven years later, they have two kids, Carrmen (Nexa Vega) and Juni (Daryl Sabara), and a lucretive

TOWN & COUNTRY": All the fuss ab the star-studded vehicle (Warren Beatt

Rep

FROM PAGE C3

"Big Love" bristles with pop culture and historical references, ranging from high tribute to slapstick comedy to some pop music here and there — a heartfelt singing of "You Don't Own Me," the closest thing music got in the early "60s to gender politics; and "Bewitched, Bothered and Bewildered," which, in its own way, is something of a

universal anthem to the battleground of love and affection.

Throughout, the action is wild
and non-stop, not unusual for the
works of Mee, which tend to
launch and accelerate, rather than
unfold on the stage. In this case,
however, the wildness seems to be
in a bit more control and the mad
onslaught of ideas and images appears to be more directed toward
the conclusion of the show.

It is a truly ensemble piece,
with as much acrobatics and firetorks as there is dialogue.
The real star of this show is
the staging, thanks to both the
actors and director Waters, with
serial assistance from the set by
Annie Smart, costumes by James
Schuette, lighting by Robert
Werzel and the amazing sound
by Matthew Mezick.
And even with the ham-handed
material at the finish, this is one
wild ride very much worth taking.

Wildflowers

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admission. Call 510/238-3818 for information on family programs.

■ The New World Scottish Dancers of Lafayette will perform Scottish country dancing and step dancing on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 13, at 2 p.m. From the dance halls of the gold rush

to Victorian ceilidh parties to

to Victorian ceilidh parties to contemporary Scottish rock music, mothers and others will be charmed by this group of 17 dancers.

The Oakland Museum of California is located at Oak and 10th streets in downtown Oakland, one block from the Lake Merritt BART station and four blocks from Interstate 880. Museum hours are Wednesday through

Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, noon to 5 p.m.; first Friday of the month, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$4 seniors and students with ID, free for children five and under. Free admission the second Sunday of the month.

For more information, call 1-888-OAK-MUSE (625-6873) or visit the museum web site at www.museumca.org.

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The dancing will be followed by a food and games fair to raise funds for the individual troops who run each booth.

For more information, call 510-849-4193.

Attitude Dance Company performing at Morgan Center

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presents a dance performance with a selection of jazz, hip hop, lyrical, street funk, modern and tap dancing. This production shows off the hard work of each of the troupe's eight featured dancers.

Tickets: Adults, \$10; students and seniors \$8; children, \$6. For tickets call CBON at 925-798-1300.

Ensemble presents music, dance of Bali

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hat they'd rather be making out. Symeone should notify Social Services about the bad parenting ging on at the O'Connell estate. Alex (Freddie Boath) is a prenew should notify social Services about the bad parenting ging on at the O'Connell estate. Alex (Freddie Boath) is a prenew should be should be should be should be should lively performances are moved in the move the rest of the gang and to fade into the background, or be grating when they're meant to be charming. John Hannah, playing Evelyn's greedy, silly worther Jonathan, is a prime example of the latter.

The story line once again revives around the mummy lambote (Arnold Vosloo) being brought to life to cause trouble. The culprit is the curator (Alun Amstrong) of the British Museum, although his purpose is uncear. There's some mumbo jumbo about using Imhotep to gin control over an ancient may — composed entirely of itenical desiccated jackals — in offer to take over the world, but fankly, it was all Greek to me. As the myth goes, whoever mawakens the army's leader, the eil Scorpion King (played by WWF wrestler The Rock, who fatunately has been given about 55 many lines as a rock), and

kills him gets the keys to the army. But by the time we get to that point, writer/director Steven Sommers contradicts himself and presents a different result.

Plot and motivation do not seem to be Sommers' strong suits; he's more interested in racking up frequent-filer miles for his characters. In the first few minutes of the movie, we go from Egypt to London and then back again to Egypt, and the only apparent reason is that Sommers wanted to incorporate some gaudy views of the London skyline and a chase scene with a vintage double-decker bus.

There's also a lot of nonsense about reincarmation. Actress Patricia Velasquez is back as the mummy's girlfriend Anck-Su-Namun, but until Imhotep calls her soul back from the underworld, it's just her body that's been reincarmated. Huh? Sounds more like cloning. A side note to the guys at the MPAA who gave this movie a PG-13 rating: Were you out getting popcorn when Velasquez's breasts, nipples and all, were completely revealed in a string sheath? Then there's Evelyn, who was apparently ancient Egyptian Queen Nefertiti — body and soul — in an earlier life. Someone should run all this by Shirley MacLaine for accuracy.

Whatever. The truth is, we're not supposed to fret about the

plot; we're meant to just sit back, enjoy the jokes (Fraser has a few decent ones) and marvel at the special effects, but because most of them are so unrealistic, they aren't exactly a treat. Early on, there's a scene involving the sudden, miraculous appearance of an oasis, which is strangely reminiscent of one of those ads for Chia pets. When the oasis is later gobbled up by the gods (or whoever is in charge), a weed whacker gone terribly awry comes to mind.

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Still, in the interest of truth-telling, it must be noted that the preview audience clapped and cheered throughout the movie, and seemed particularly delighted with the battle scenes between the desiccated jackals and the machete-wielding good guys. Personally, I found myself trying to dredge up the painful memory of Jar Jar Binks and his computergenerated cohorts, because something about this army looked suspiciously familiar Maybe it was just their sheer numbers, or their lanky legs, dancing light-footed across a dusty landscape. Or maybe the similarity lies in the fact that it was all so darn fake, it's just a bore.

Tucker

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It will be hard to shrink this Biff, but a toned down voice would help to suggest the "dime-a-dozen" ordinariness he finally sees in himself at the end of this melancholy drama.

"I asked Linda, Willy's wife (Lindsey Margaret Clark) to project more from the upstairs bedroom," the director said. The two-story set, designed by David Bradley, is an effective part of this play. The upstairs action is clearly visible behind a scrim, a gauze-like material that becomes transparent when light is behind it. The upper level of the set disappears when the action and the lights shift to the kitchen seen in which

when the action and the lights shift to the kitchen set on the stage.

The kitchen scene in which Linda, the soft-spoken peacemaker, defends her husband against the sons' disparagement is one of the most moving and poignant scenes in "Death of a Salesman."

"There were some techie problems you wouldn't know about," Dahlen said, mentioning the missing sound effects of squealing tires and a car wreck because the CD player didn't work.

"And some of the voices on tape couldn't be heard, and the whistling came in at the wrong time because somebody dropped a cue."

The CD player is "now in a junkyard" and has been replaced by one that works.

"Death of a Salesman" plays at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays through May 5 with one Thursday evening performance May 3. Tickets are \$10, with discounts given to groups of 15 or more. Live Oak Theatre is at 1301 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. Call 510-528-5620.

CHAUCERIANS ARE BACK:
Chaucer's "The Canterbury Tales" of the Wife, Friar and the Summoner—all rolled into a world premiere musical—return to Berkeley's Hillside Club Wednesday for an 8 p.m. performance.
The Geoffrey Chaucer & Co. production will come back for a final show May 2.

"Wife of Bath—the Musical" features music by John Geist, winner of the 1999 Bay Area Theatre Critics Circle award for original score for "The Squire's & Franklin's Tales," and a Dean Goodman Choice Award for original music for "The Canterbury Tales."

Cast for "Wife of Bath" in-CHAUCERIANS ARE BACK:

inal music for "The Canterbury Tales."

Cast for "Wife of Bath" includes David Abad as the Friar, Bill Badger as the Summoner, and Ellen Brooks as the Wife.

A final East Bay presentation will be offered at 7 p.m. April 29 at Montclair Presbyterian Church, 5701 Thornhill Drive, Oakland.

The show is also playing at various dates and venues through May 5 in San Francisco, San Jose, San Rafael, Santa Rosa and Mill Valley.

Tickets vary by days of the week from \$20 to \$25 general; \$15 to \$20 for seniors and students, to \$5 for any show for teens in middle or high school.

For information, call 877-424-2823.

A STRETCH TOO WIDE:
Opening night problems with
"archy & mehitabel" at the Masquers Playhouse, 105 Park Place,
Point Richmond, were more conceptual than mechanical. The musical is based on the whimsical
(and philosophical) humanizing
of an alley cat and a poetrystricken cockroach, created in
1916 by New York Sun columnist
Don Marquis.

The essential "willing suspension of disbelief... which constitutes poetic faith" (Samuel Taylor Coleridge 1772-1834) needs a
stretch as wide as the Golden Gate
Bridge when whimsy like this is
offered.

Some people didn't get it, I'm
told. That's especially true of the
ending in which the cats dance
off stage in a flutter of silk
scarves.

"That was supposed to sug-

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KOED-FM's "Forum" with
Michael Krasny. The guest
Mose name I can't remember)
Was an energy expert visiting
fum Colorado. He made the
plant that California has one of
the lowest per-capita energy ustas of any state, adding, "The
Peapita energy usage by Calimians has stayed the same for
deade." He then told Krasny:
"The problem is that there are a
"more people in this state, so
diffornia uses a lot more
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Nelsen concluded her gutsy "genian piece: "I never ought I'd say this, but I feel my for Californians right now. Sedent Bush has his feet up, and per ought. The seed of the seed

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Speaking of which, two good lines making the rounds lately:
Q. What's the difference between Gov. Davis and the Titanic's A. The Titanic's lights

were on.

Also: George Bush is just a heartbeat away from the Presi-

Sometimes money doesn't just talk — it swears like a long-shoreman.

Take this week's case of the earth's first "space tourist," for example.

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Dennis Tito (no relation to late Yugoslav dictator Josip Broz) shelled out \$20 million to the Russians to get a ride aboard this week's Soyuz shuttle to the international space station. "I'll pay for anything I break," he vowed. Hey, you ruptured the station's main hydraulic line, you idiot! "Oops! Sorry," replies Tito, whipping out his checkbook. "Uh, how much will that be?"

While pouring \$20 million into the Russian space program may seem a bit like building world-class training facilities for a three-legged horse to some, at least our cash-poor former enemies have learned the power of (American) money to get things done.

But Tito's rich-kid act, his I-

done.

But Tito's rich-kid act, his I-wanna-go-to-real-life-space-can stunt, is setting a dangerous precedent. Take, for example, these possibly related news

these possibly related news items:

Chula Vista, Ca., scrap-iron king Al Apecia recently shelled out \$15 million for a unique, "real-life baseball fantasy camp" experience. Over the strenuous objections of the commissioner of baseball, Apecia was allowed to play third base for the San Diego Padres for the first three weeks of the season. And in that time, until regular third sacker Phil Nevin got his position back, Apecia batted .014, batted in one run (on a hit by pitch), had a fielding average of .235, and was instrumental in the cash-starved

med student Winthrop Armbruster III of Manhatian has agreed to have \$34 million from his trust fund transferred to the endowment of an undisclosed upstate New York hospital in exchange for letting him head the surgical team that will perform a quadruple bypass on an unnamed coronary patient. (The patient's heirs will split the 34 mill with the hospital) "Daddy thinks it would be good work experience for me," said the scion of a wealthy investment brokerage house as he struggled to open his own car door. "There are some things that money can't buy. I just can't think of any right now," the young fop laughed as he headed off for a squash match.

This Weekend's Best Viewing Bet: "Armistead Maupin's Further Tales of The City." This third installment of "Tales," which originated on PBS and premieres Sunday at 10 on cable's Showtime, is as quirky and as offbeat as the first two. Like 1998's Part 2, most of this was filmed in Montreal, not SanFran. Sunday's episode opens with a shocker — recent Oscan nominee Laura Linney (returning as Cleveland ingenue Mary Anne) doing a nude scene. Hers, by the way, is the only straight nudity in Maupin's latest lighthearted gay fantasia.

A lot of female fans of hunky "Once and Again" co-star Billy Campbell will be shocked by his doctor character's lowe scenes with Michael "Mouse" Tolliver (Paul Hopkins). Hey, gals, remember — it's only a movie. "Further Tales" runs the next four Sundays on Showtime, and it's as much fun as the first two. By the way, local S.E. characters as Pat Montandon, Father Miles Riley and KRON's Wendy Tokuda shot cameos for this, but (sigh) all ended up on the cutting-room floor.

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Events

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of Latin music by the South Bay Latin
dance band Mystique. There will be
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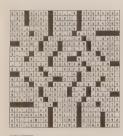
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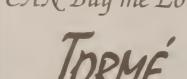
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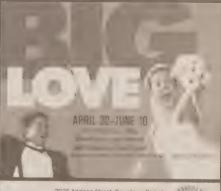
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nmed glasses in the hands of the customers. The contents of the glasses may all look different, with colors ranging

This patriarch of the cocktail

ing the first of these staple libations? This is a subject that martini lovers passionately debate, as the drink's origins remain an enigma. One school points to Martinez, California,

iliked his shaken, not stirred, is enough.

The most basic, purist-style martini is made with three parts gin to one-half part dry vermouth. There, that's just about it, except that it should shaken vigorously with ice and then strained into an extremely cold glass. Add an olive, twist of lemon rind, lemon wedge or nothing at all, and you have a martini. But in order to set themselves apart from the everyday martini mix, certain mixologists have developed the new breed of martini to fit in with new dining trends. Look for some of these new martinis appearing at a restaurant or bar near you:

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The New Capitol Corridor Summer Schedule More Trains! More Trips! More Fun!

The days are longer, vacation time is almost here and travel plans just got easier. The Capitol Corridor has added two more trains and now makes 18 trips daily between the Bay Area and Sacramento. Relax with snacks from our Club Café Car and views of the passing scenery, while eliminating the hassles and expense of driving, traffic and parking. It's going to be a great summer and The Capitol Corridor is the perfect way to travel to these fun destinations:

- Oakland A's Baseball—Take the train to Richmond and transfer to BART to the Coliseum
- Enjoy the excitement of Paramount's Great America
- Play at the Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose
 Visit the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk
 Eat, shop and play at San Francisco's PIER 39

- Take an historic stroll in old Sacramento and dine aboard the Delta King Riverboat
- Get artistic at the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art
- Take the train to Reno and South Lake Tahoe for Casino fun
- Get technical at the San Jose Tech Museum
- See rare deep-sea creatures at the Monterey Bay Aguarium
- Enjoy a day at Six Flags Marine World
- Shop at Union Square or visit the Metreon in Downtown San Francisco

Capitol Corridor Train Schedule (effective April 29, 2001) ₩ WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

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MY FIRST CAR



Remembering the Brown Behemoth'

BY DENNIS EVANOSKY

In October 1963 at the age c
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learned to drive with my father by my side in a very old and arramped green Opel convertible by father — with his grand nose for bagains — had gotten the call somewhere for the hefty price of \$55.8 s part of the deal, my father

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2002 ESCALADE is both a sport utility vehicle and a Cadillac through and through.

2002 Cadillac Escalade makes a massive statement

When Cadillac makes a statement, it doesn't mince words. Its latest words: 2002 Escalade. The large, sport utility vehicle has a strong engine and numerous technological innovations.

This is the second edition of the Escalade. Although the previous model had smoother lines, the designers of the 2002 edition put emphasis on a crisp, chiseled shape, making the Escalade distinctive from the mass of other SUVs on the road.

But the appearance is only the beginning of uniqueness. The mas

sive front end is almost scary with exceptionally large halogen head-lamps that include the parking lamps and turn signals. Because the lights are controlled by a twilight sentinel system including day-time running lamps, I didn't have to touch a thing.

A running board, which is necessary to climb aboard, is exposed by opening the door. The Escalade stands very high, so once in the driver's seat, I had a commanding view of the road. One reason for the height is the seven-spoke, 17-inch cast aluminum wheels wrapped TOM KEANE Keane on Wheels

with Goodyear all-season tires that are both quiet and comfortable. There was no doubt in my mind that I was in a Cadillac.

The very complete set of analog instruments is upscale in appear ance, and each instrument is trimmed with an aluminum halo. Of course, the seats are covered with a rich leather, and the trim is accented with Zebrano wood. Ever ented with Zebrano wood.

wood. Clearly, this Escalade is Cadillac through and through

Typical of Cadillac, this \$50,000 vehicle is loaded with luxurious conveniences. For example, the assessible cupholders are hidden below a dampened, spring-loaded lid There are compartments for maps cellphones, rear seat audio controls heated seats. Also very convenient is the OnStar button. One touch and, "Yes, Mr. Keane, may I help you?" A personal concierge to assist me as I drive. That's class!

The Escalade features a Bose

Acoustimass Audio System that is acoustically tailored and equalized for the vehicle's interior design. This system was so delightful I found myself cranking the volume up a few notches just to get extra enjoyment out of some favorite CDs The radio reception is also topnotch. Incidentally, rear seat passengers can use earphones to listeness the control of the cont

The seats are both soft and supportive. The front bucket seats have

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ENGINE TYPE
DISPLACEMENT 6.0-liter
HORSEPOWER (net) 285 at 5200 rpm
TORQUE (lb-ft)
TRANSMISSION 4-speed automatic
WHEELBASE ,
TREAD (front/rear) 65 / 66 in . 1651 / 1676 mm
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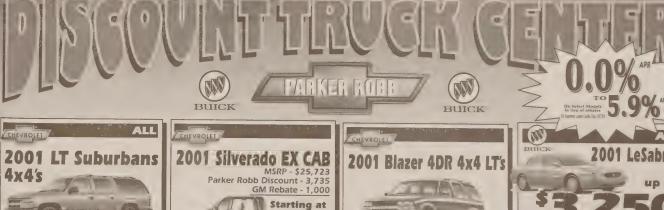
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thermal barrier, and the thermostat can be adjusted to find the optimal setting.

With a cooler compartment of 60 litters in volume, the Fridge Freeze will hold 4.5 cases of 12-ounce cans. Also included is a rubber-coated basket for easier storage of frequently used items.

The Fridge Freeze has a one-year warranty for parts and labor. The 60-liter model sells for a suggested retail price of \$1,495. A smaller 35-quart version is available for \$1,100. Fridge Freeze is available factory direct. For more information or to order, visit www.fridge-freeze.com or phone 619/220-6003.

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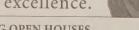
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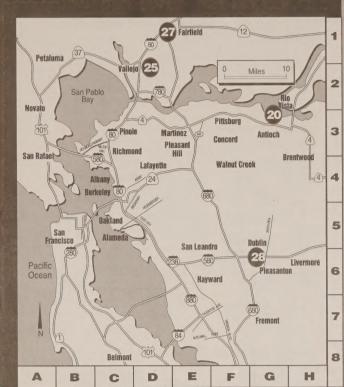
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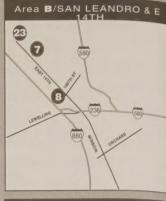
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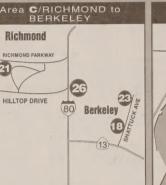
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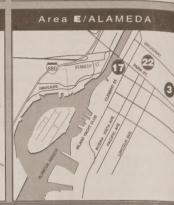
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